Amendment No. 1 to HB1442

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 551*

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-1-112(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following language as subdivision (2):

(2)

- (A) As used in this subdivision, the term:
- (i) "Management" or "leadership" means acceptance of a title, whether formal or informal, or the performance of a role, whether for-hire or as a volunteer, that places responsibility for the organization, administration, fundraising, financial operations, financial reporting, or direction of others of a public officer's campaign or a political party on the individual accepting the title or role. It shall not include providing uncompensated advice on a one-on-one basis to a candidate or party officer, nor shall it include the providing of a financial contribution to the candidate or party organization.
- (ii) "Public endorsement" or "endorse" means to formally support by public statement in the media. The giving of a financial contribution whether reportable or not under applicable campaign finance laws, and the placement of a sign at one's personal residence supporting a particular candidate shall not be considered a formal public endorsement.
- (B) No member of a county election commission who is appointed to the commission after the effective date of this act shall participate in the political management or leadership of a local, state or federal political party organization

or in the management or leadership of a political candidate's campaign during the member's term of office. No such member shall make a public endorsement of or permit the member's name to be used to endorse a particular candidate for political office during the member's term of office. Violation of this subsection subjects the member to immediate removal from office by majority vote of the state election commission.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 11, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section thereto:

2-11-111.

- (a) As used in this section, the term:
 - (1) "Management" or "leadership" means acceptance of a title, whether formal or informal, or the performance of a role, whether for-hire or as a volunteer, that places responsibility for the organization, administration, fundraising, financial operations, financial reporting, or direction of others of a public officer's campaign or a political party on the individual accepting the title or role. It shall not include providing uncompensated advice on a one-on-one basis to a candidate or party officer, nor shall it include the providing of a financial contribution to the candidate or party organization.
 - (2) "Public endorsement" or "endorse" means to formally support by public statement in the media. The giving of a financial contribution whether reportable or not under applicable campaign finance laws, and the placement of a sign at one's personal residence supporting a particular candidate shall not be considered a formal public endorsement.
- (b) No member of the state election commission who is appointed to the commission after the effective date of this act shall participate in political

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management or leadership of a local, state or federal political party organization or in the management or leadership of a political candidate's campaign during the member's term of office. No such member shall make a public endorsement of or permit the member's name to be used to endorse a particular candidate for political office during the member's term of office. Violation of this section subjects the member to removal by majority vote of the other members of the state election commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.